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PITTSBURGH, unlike most cities, will hardly be disposed to complain of her census this year. The enumerators show that her population of 86,000 in 1870 increased to 133,000. Allegheny City has grown from 53,000 ten years ago to 78,000. The two cities, which, for business purposes, are but one, have a combined population, therefore, of 231,000, which would make it follow immediately after Cincinnati as the ninth city in the Union.

THE CONGRESS recently adjourned will ever be noted for a body that spent much time doing little, and even then the time was too short, for the door-keeper is said to have turned the hands of the Senate clock back ten minutes on the final day of the session, to give the Senate time to adjourn in good order.—That was characteristic of the whole session, and of both Houses of Congress. They were behind time all the way so far as the important business of the public was concerned, and they did not catch up at the close.

THE STATE TREASURY, which is just now sadly in need of money to meet the amount long over due to the school fund, is in a fair way to be enriched, thanks to the Supreme Court, which has just decided the liquor license cases in its favor against the counties, and has mulcted the railroad companies in several thousand dollars more than they were willing to pay as tax upon their capital stock. Besides this, the Reading owes over \$200,000, and if Treasurer Butler will follow up the delinquents, the meeting of the next Legislature ought to find him in funds.

THE DEMOCRATIC National Convention which met at Cincinnati nominated on the second ballot, Gen. Winfield S. Hancock of Pennsylvania for President. The second ballot as it was originally cast was

Hancock	319
Randall	128½
Bayard	113
Field	65½
Thurman	50
Hendricks	31
English	19
Tilden	7
Parker	2
Jewett	1

Total vote, 736; necessary to a choice, 492. Before the vote was officially announced however, Wisconsin changed her vote so as to increase the vote for Hancock. State after state then changed till at the end of the call Hancock had 703 votes; Bayard, 2, from Maryland; Hendricks, 30, from Indiana, and Tilden 1, from Iowa. Wm. H. English, of Indiana was then nominated for Vice President. General Hancock is well known as a union officer of long service and much merit. Mr. English is not generally known as he has been in public life but little since 1868, at which time his term expired as member of Congress. He is a lawyer by education but has for some years been engaged in banking and railroad speculations. Both parties have now placed before the country men of ability and unexceptionable character, and the voter need only be guided by his political preference.

PENSIONS.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Claims for pensions pending before the department have increased in the last fourteen months at the rate of at least five thousand a month. These unsettled claims are now more than double the number at the date of the passage of the Arrears of Pension act in January, 1879. There are now pending in the office at least 280,000 claims. During the six months preceding the passage of the arrears act, that is, from July 1, 1878, to January 1, 1879, the number of claims filed per month did not exceed 1,250 invalids' and widows' claims together. During the seventeen months since the passage of the act this average has been at least 8,500 per month. It is impossible with the present facilities of the Pension Bureau to dispose of more than 2,500 of these cases per month, so that these claims are now accumulating at the rate of five or six thousand, and it would take, Commissioner Bentley says, many years to dispose of the claims now pending.

An Important Decision.

Peter Grub sold his share in an iron mine at Cornwall, Pa., reserving the

right to enter upon the premises forever, and take therefrom sufficient ore for the supply of one furnace. That was almost one hundred years ago, when iron ore was smelted in a somewhat crude fashion, and the average yield of a furnace was one thousand five hundred tons a year. That was about the amount taken by Mr. Grub annually during his lifetime. But the process has been vastly improved since then, and now a furnace turns out as much in a single month. The question arose, of course, whether the heirs of Grub were entitled to as much ore as would supply an eighteenth or nineteenth century furnace. A lawsuit has been in the courts for twenty-four years, employing some of the ablest lawyers in the State. The Supreme Court has just decided, on appeal, that ore can be taken in sufficient quantity to supply a furnace.

An Eagle Sat on Garfield's House.

Major Swain related the following interesting and unexplainable incident when nearing the next station: "A day or two since," said he, "General Garfield received a letter from the gentleman now stopping in his Washington residence, in which it was stated that exactly at the hour Garfield was accorded the nomination in Chicago, and while the enthusiasm was at its height, a large American eagle flew from some source and nestled upon the Washington home, where it remained for several moments and then flitted away. Several persons noticed the bird, and it has been commented upon to no small extent by those who have heard of the incident."—Cleveland Herald.

Has the Polar Basin Dipped?

A captain who has been for five years engaged in the Greenland fishery says he has never in all his life seen anything approaching the terrific ice blockade extending down to the fifty-second parallel of latitude. The ice field lying to the eastward, the southern tail of which now bears east southeast 120 miles distant from St. John's, N. F., is one of the heaviest ice descriptions. Thousand of icebergs of all varieties of size and shape have been seen. What has happened to the polar basin to cause such an unlocking, we would like to know.

Changing Gauge.

The narrowing of the gauge of the western division of the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad from Hornellsville to Salamanca and Dunkirk, was completed at 9:25 Tuesday morning. The Erie road has now the standard gauge from New York to Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Salamanca and Dunkirk. The distance between the two points is 225 miles, and the whole work was accomplished in the almost incredibly short period of six and a-half hours.

Independent of Railroads.

The Easton Free Press reports the case of an emigrant, with his wife, son and three daughters, passing through that place in a wagon, having left Kansas last December for the East. Before starting he had purchased a pair of ponies, which he hitched to a covered farm wagon, and in that conveyance himself and family had made the distance of 2000 miles.

A Singular Case.

Several days ago, Edward Pritchett, a youth of Denton, Md., acted as pall-bearer at the funeral of a man who had died from the effect of a fall from a window. Pritchett wiped the face of the corpse with a handkerchief, which he afterwards used upon his own face. His head, face, hands and arms have swollen to an extent that his eyes are closed. His condition is precarious.

Served Him Right.

A party named C. F. Lamar, who claimed to be a member of the bar of Philadelphia, being advertised to make a Greenback speech in Lancaster on Tuesday night of last week, turned out to be an imposter, and was arrested because he endeavored to get off a lottery arrangement in connection with his eloquence.

Unhappy Chester County.

In addition to the army worm, which is attacking the chief and important crops in Chester county, another pest comes in the character of the grapevine louse, which has attacked the hothouse grapevines. The growers of this delightful fruit predict that the crop will be a total failure this year.

A hog killed and ate some of the Rev. Bryant Ransom's fine chickens, at Mount Vernon, Ohio. The annoyed clergyman caught the brute and cut out one of its eyes. He had intended to destroy its sight entirely, so that it could see no more chickens to catch, but through pity he left the job half completed. His congregation, however, do not credit him with much mercy, and have resolved to put him on trial for the act.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 28, 1880.

But little interest has so far been manifested in this City in the Cincinnati Convention proceedings. The Government officials—those who have attained position during twenty years of Republican rule—were of course specially anxious as to the result at Chicago, and expended their time and enthusiasm during the Convention held there early in the month. The old Democratic Jackson Association—the Dem. Jack. Ass., as the Star calls it—will fire guns to-night or to-morrow, when the nomination is made. The prevalent rumor here that Senator McDonald would go on the ticket was received here yesterday. Next to him—Seymour and Tilden out of the way—Hancock would be most agreeable to the City Democracy.

This city will celebrate the 4th of July in an almost unprecedented manner. Everybody will participate.

We have three men here, who have been convicted of murder, but who are generally believed, by reason of evidence discovered since their trial, to be innocent. They will be hung at an early day unless the usual legal course shall be departed from, or the President shall interfere.

An old quarrel will be revived shortly. The post office Department will issue advertisements inviting proposals for furnishing the service with new locks for the mail bags, etc. I cannot recall any instance in which bids for furnishing locks to any Department have not resulted in a prolonged contest between the manufacturers.

A gentleman in this city has just received a letter from a party of friends in New York who had just completed a trip around the world in seventy-five days, said to be the quickest time ever made.

Nearly all the State organizations which disappeared from political life here on the incoming of the present administration, will be revived as soon as the campaign fairly opens. It is thought no opposition will be made by those in authority. The Clubs are composed mostly of government employees, but the political work is done generally, after office hours.

If the authorities here, as is now stated, cannot inquire into the efficiency of those Federal officers whose duty it was to provide as far as possible against such "accidents" as that to the Narragansett, it seems that a change in the laws is an immediate necessity. Under the decision just made here, the New England officials who appear to have neglected their duty cannot be reached in any way—indeed, there is no way by which their nominal superiors in this city can find out whether or not there was any neglect of duty.

It is said by Democrats this afternoon that if any one but Seymour is nominated at Cincinnati, Senator Cameron will not only consent to retain his place as Chairman of the National Committee, but that he with Senators Conkling and Logan will make themselves conspicuous in managing the campaign.

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Miscellaneous News Items.

The army worm is reported in Whitehall, Lehigh county, and Nazareth, Northampton county, where large fields of grass and rye have been destroyed by it.

The residence, two barns, a large stock of grain and the farming implements of William Meigs, near White Bridge, N. J., were struck by lightning Monday night and destroyed. The loss exceeds \$11,000.

The Chinese in Patterson thought the census enumerators wanted to draft them into the army. Some refused to say how old they were, and one said he was "ninety years old as allee time," when his real age was twenty-five.

During the thunder-storm which ranged over New Jersey last week the violent wind threw down fences and uprooted trees. At Hammond's Mills, the mill was struck by lightning, fired, and completely destroyed, with its contents.

At Mayville, N. J., last week, Mrs. Sarah Van Doran expired while two physicians were operating upon one of her feet to remove some broken glass. It is supposed that death was caused by the administration of chloroform.

A dispute between two farmers, living near Carrsville, Isle of Wight county, Va., has resulted fatally, John Turner having recently struck James Brother a blow on the side of the head with a heavy stick, inflicting so severe a wound as to cause death. Turner has fled, and no trace of him can be found.

Patterson Catholics are excited. Peter Carroll was buried in the Catholic cemetery having been killed by a train, which his friends say struck him accidentally. On their say-so the funeral was allowed, they arranging it before the Coroner's inquest. After he was buried the inquest proved it a suicide, and the Catholics now want the body exhumed and buried elsewhere.

A live infant child was taken to the New York morgue Tuesday by the driver of the Coroner's wagon. It was a waif from the Orphan Asylum, and was on its way to a woman with whom it was to be put out to nurse when it apparently died. The driver of the ambulance, finding his little passenger to all appearance dead, took it to the morgue, where the doctors resuscitated it.

From Bancroft, Sioux county, Iowa, comes this story of one of the late storms: The daughter of Herman Wilt was closing a window, when a bolt of lightning struck it, tearing a piece out of the sleeve of her dress and also out of the skirt without injuring her, but passing on

killed a cat and dog lying by the stove, while Mrs. W., who was sitting by the stove, was uninjured.

The Cleveland Press says: When a woman in male attire forgot herself at Toledo yesterday, and put her hands on her hips instead of in her pockets, the detective had his suspicions aroused and arrested her. It was Kate Bauch, and she was, she said, running away from her disagreeable husband, who lives at Whitby, Canada. The police allowed her to go on to Buffalo still wearing her bifurcated garments.

An attempt was made a short time ago to abduct Bertie Sherman, twelve years old, from Milwaukee, Wis. Two strangers induced him to get into their buggy, when they blindfolded him and tied his hands. He managed, however, to jump out, after being taken about thirteen miles, and was protected by a farmer. As the boy's parents are wealthy, it is supposed that the kidnapping was for the purpose of obtaining a reward.

TRENTON, June 22.—Benjamin Fish, aged ninety years, died here this morning while eating his breakfast. He was known as the most active man for his age in the State. He was the oldest railroad man in New Jersey, having been one of the original projectors of the Camden and Amboy Railroad in 1832. He was for many years a director of the Trenton Banking Company, and at the time of his death was one of the directors of the New Jersey United Railroad Company, a corporation which had in charge the interests of the stockholders of the several railroads included in the lease to the Pennsylvania Railroad. He was the first man to introduce stove coal into Trenton, which he did in 1823.—Having purchased a boatload, he had it brought down the Delaware. He said it took him a whole year to sell it, so little faith had the people in it.

PHILADELPHIA, June 22.—Dr. James A. McCrea, a member of the board of health, and one of the most prominent citizens of Philadelphia, committed suicide this morning at his residence, No. 2004 De Lancey place. He arose about half-past seven o'clock this morning, and as was his usual custom, proceeded to the bathroom.—Not returning in a reasonable time an investigation was made. The bathroom was found in perfect order. The clothes of Dr. McCrea, were carefully arranged in the methodical way for which he was noted.—In the bathtub Dr. McCrea was found weltering in his blood. He had made a frightful gash across his throat, completely severing the jugular vein. The deed of self-destruction was committed with a razor, which was found by his side.

No cause beyond the temporary insanity can be assigned for the act. The easy and comfortable circumstances of Dr. McCrea, forbid the idea that any money matters had anything to do with it. For a year past, Dr. McCrea has been suffering from severe attacks of dyspepsia, and consequently has become considerably depressed in spirits recently.

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